

ABSTRACT

OF

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OF THE PROVINCE OF NOVA-SCOTIA,

RESPECTING SCHOOLS,

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ACT FOR THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF SCHOOLS,

(Act of 1832, 2. Wm. 4, Cap. 2.)

AS AMENDED BY THE ACT OF 1841.

By section 1. as amended by the 6th section of the act of 1841, the Governor and Council are to appoint and commission in every county of the province, Five or more Commissioners of Schools.

In the county of Halifax, and in that of Guysborough, the Governor and Council have discretionary power to divide the county into two or more districts, and to appoint a similar Board for each, and to apportion the money appointed for each of the two counties accordingly.

The Commissioners are to have the superintendence, management and control of all Schools in their county or district established under this law ; (subject to the authority conferred on the Central Board, as specified in subsequent clauses.) Three Commissioners to be a *quorum* for transacting business. They are to be removable from office at the pleasure of the Governor, who may fill up vacancies occasioned by such removal, or by death of commissioners.

Section 2 of amending act---allots £6000 per annum, for 4 years, and thence to the next ensuing session of the legisla-

*The Commissioners have no control or supervision of Academies.

ture, (accounting from 1st April, 1841,) in aid of schools, to be distributed and applied as follows, viz. :

For the County of Pictou.....	£540	0	0
“ “ of Halifax.....	386	17	9
“ “ of Colchester.....	386	17	9
“ “ of Hants.....	386	17	9
“ “ of Kings.....	386	17	9
“ “ of Annapolis.....	386	17	9
“ “ of Lunenburg.....	386	17	9
“ “ of Cape Breton.....	386	17	9
“ “ of Inverness.....	386	17	9
“ “ of Cumberland.....	386	17	9
“ “ of Digby.....	282	11	5
“ “ of Yarmouth.....	282	11	5
“ “ of Shelburne.....	282	11	5
“ “ of Queen's.....	282	11	5
“ “ of Guysborough.....	282	11	5
“ “ of Sydney.....	282	11	5
“ “ of Richmond.....	282	11	5

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Section 3. The Board of Commissioners in each county are to divide and lay it off into school-districts.* Such intended division to be advertised, publicly, for one month, previous to its being confirmed,—to afford opportunity for objections by any parties concerned, and to render it as convenient as possible to each neighbourhood.

The Commissioners are also empowered to alter limits of School-districts, if they see occasion, or to approve and confirm previous divisions. When arrangement is finally made, the Commissioners are to furnish a description of the School-district, as laid out, to the trustees of each school established (under this law) within it.

Section 4. “ Whenever any number of individuals, in any school-district so laid off and established, in any county or district in this Province, shall make application in writing, to the said Board of Commissioners for such county or district, engaging to hire a teacher for one year, (or for any time not less than three calendar months. Sec. 9, 1841,) and to build, or provide a School House, and keep the same in repair, and therein cause to be taught for the said period of one year, (or for any time not less than three calendar months, Sec. 9, 1841,) *at least thirty scholars, in Reading, Writing and Arithmetic,—or shall therein engage to hire a teacher, and to provide, or build and keep in repair a school house, and cause to be taught therein as aforesaid, for the period aforesaid, at least fifteen scholars;* and shall apply to the said Board of Commis-

* Only one male teacher can be licensed in each School District, 10th Section, Act of 1841.

sioners for a participation in the said sum of money, so to be paid to the said county or district as aforesaid, then and in such case, the said Board of Commissioners shall enter upon a list of schools to be kept by them for that purpose, such school for a participation in said money, and shall appoint one, two or three trustees, as they shall deem requisite for such school, which said trustee or trustees shall have power and authority to make and enter into all necessary contracts and agreements with the person or persons applying for such school and the teacher or teachers thereof, which said contracts and agreements shall be good and valid, and which said Trustee or Trustees shall have power to sue and be sued in their own names, for and concerning all matter relative to such school of which he or they shall be trustee or trustees. [And such trustee or trustees shall have power to make regulations as to the hours of attendance of the scholars, the allowance and duration of holidays and vacations, and for the general regulation and government of the school. Sec. 8. Act 1841.]

Section 6. The trustees of schools established in the school-districts under the law, are removable at the pleasure of the board of commissioners for the county, who can also fill up vacancy thereby occasioned.

Section 7. Enacts "that no teacher shall receive aid under this act, unless such teacher shall first receive a license to teach a school from the said commissioners." The eleventh clause of the act, 1841 further enacts "that no license shall be granted, to any teacher under the seventh clause of the said act" unless the commissioners shall be first satisfied of the good moral character and suitable qualification of such teacher.

Section 8. The board of commissioners of each county or district are to draw the amount allotted to their county from the treasury, under the Governor's warrant by half-yearly payments. This money the county board are to pay into the hands of the clerk of their board, who is to pay the several teachers of the school-districts under the direction of the commissioners. No larger sum is however to be drawn for any county from the treasury, than the engagement between the trustees and teachers of schools render necessary.

Section 9. And be it further enacted, that the trustee or trustees of each and every school within the several school districts in any county or district as aforesaid, shall, once in every six months, render to the said Board of Commissioners for such county or district, a true and correct account of the number, names and ages, of the scholars taught in such school,

and their progress in education, the amount and particulars of the expenditure of such school, the amount of the Salary of the Master, and in what manner the same is paid, and that the sum to be received from the said Board, by the said Trustee or Trustees is *bona fide payable* to the said master for his own use and benefit; and also, that the several engagements entered into and made to the said Board, by the persons applying for such school at the time of such application, have been fully kept and performed, and shall produce and give into the said Board a certificate from the teacher or teachers of such school (previously attested on oath before a Justice of the Peace of the County, Sec. 13, Act 1841.) "that no part of the salary which the persons applying for such school have engaged to pay to such Teacher or Teachers is collusively withheld, and that the said engagement was not made merely for the purpose of procuring a portion of the Provincial allowance herebefore mentioned.

Section 10. Imposes a penalty of £10 on any Trustee or Trustees who "shall wilfully render to the Board of Commissioners a fraudulent" "or incorrect account under the provisions of this act, for the purpose of obtaining Provincial aid for the school, whereof he or they are Trustee or Trustees," to be recovered by action or suit by Clerk of Board of Commissioners in the Supreme or Inferior Court of the county or district. Half the penalty to be for the Clerk, the other half to the Board of the County, for the purposes of this Act.

Section 11. "And be it further enacted, that the said sum of money to be granted and paid to each and every county and district as aforesaid, shall be apportioned and applied by the said board of commissioners, as soon as the said accounts of the said trustee or trustees have been rendered and received as aforesaid, in manner following, that is to say:—the sum of *Seventy Pounds* to be paid and applied by the said Board, to and among such of the inhabitants of the said county or district, as may be *unable* to keep up a school with fifteen scholars therein, to enable such inhabitants to employ a Teacher or Teachers for the whole or some portion of the year, to be paid and applied in such proportions and under such regulations and restrictions as the said Board shall, from time to time make and appoint. *Five Pounds* to be applied by the said Board of Commissioners in the purchase of. *School Books, Pens, Paper, Pencils, Slates and Ink, for the use of poor Children*, within the said county or district, whose parents are unable to purchase the same. and *the remainder* of the gross sum of money, so to be granted and paid to and for such county or district, together with any surplus of the said sum of

seventy pounds that may remain over and above what may be required to be applied as aforesaid, shall then be distributed and paid by the said Board, to and among such schools so to be entered on such lists as aforesaid, as to the said Board shall seem fit objects for the Provincial aid, in such sums and proportions as to the said Board shall seem fit and proper; *Provided*, That no school of thirty scholars and upwards shall obtain or receive more than the sum of twenty pounds, and a school of fifteen scholars and under thirty scholars shall obtain more than fifteen pounds; *Provided* always, that there shall be taught in every such school as shall receive any share or proportion of the said money, at least so many poor scholars free of expense, either in whole or in part, as by the said Board, shall be directed; And provided also, that in any populous settlement where it shall appear to the said Board, that the inhabitants are fully able to maintain and keep up a school, without any participation in the provincial aid, no sum of money shall be paid to any such school unless as an allowance for the teaching of poor children, and not more than twenty shillings annually shall be allowed for each poor child taught in such school; And provided further, that such last mentioned school shall not receive a greater sum in the whole than ten pounds.

(Section 22, act of 1841. And be it enacted, That any Board of Commissioners, from and out of the sum of seventy pounds, placed at the disposal of such Board, by the eleventh clause of the said Act hereby continued, shall and they are hereby authorized to aid any school for instructing in the common branches of education, the Blacks or people of colour, within the county or district for which such Board is or may be established, and for which school a school house shall have been provided by or for the Blacks, or people of colour; and for aid to which application shall be made to the said Board, notwithstanding a common school may have been established, and be in operation, and receive Provincial aid, for the school district or districts wherein the said school for the said Blacks or people of colour, may be situate.)

Section 12. *Provided* always, and be it further enacted, That no school wherein thirty scholars and upwards are taught, shall be entitled to and receive any portion of the money hereby allotted to the several counties and districts in this Province, unless it shall be satisfactorily made to appear to the Board of Commissioners for the county or district wherein such school is kept, by the trustee or trustees, that the teacher of such school did actually and bona fide receive, at least, the full sum of forty pounds per annum, exclusive of, and in addition to, his Boarding, Washing, and Lodging; and no school

wherein *less than thirty and more than fifteen* scholars are taught, shall be entitled to receive any portion of the said money so allotted as aforesaid, unless it be satisfactorily made to appear to the Commissioners that the *inhabitants* interested in such school, have *actually raised* for the use of such school, either by subscription or assessment the *sum of twenty-five pounds per annum*; (exclusive of and in addition to the boarding, washing, and lodging of the teacher of such school, by Sec. 14, Act 1841.) And provided lastly, that *no school* herein before mentioned, shall receive any *Provincial aid*, unless it shall also be made to appear to the said Board of Commissioners that a school house has *actually been built or provided* as herein before directed and prescribed.

Section 13. And be it further enacted, that the said *Board of Commissioners*, for each county and district shall appoint a *Clerk* to such Board, who shall receive and pay all monies to be received and paid by virtue of this act, and shall keep a true and correct account and record of the proceedings of the said Board, and of the *number of Schools and Scholars* taught therein and of the different sums so paid and received under and by virtue of this act; which Clerk shall receive *two shillings and six pence for each license* to be granted to any teacher or teachers by the said Board, and also *five per cent*, [on the amount actually paid out by him, of monies to be received under these acts and no more, by Sec. 3 of the act of 1841,] to be deducted from such payments so to be made by him as aforesaid.

Section 15. The Commissioners of any county or district are empowered on complaint made to them, if they shall see fit, to remove and displace the teacher or teachers of such schools, and to annul any contract or agreement between such teachers and the trustees, and to withdraw the licenses of teachers complained of.

Section 18. The Commissioners for each county or district are made responsible themselves, for the due and faithful application of the money drawn by their county or district under these acts, and they are required to take good and sufficient security from the clerk of their board, "that he shall well and truly pay and apply all sums of money to be by him received," for the purposes in the acts mentioned.

SCHOOLS IN HALIFAX:

The 17th Section of this act of 1832, grants £100 each, yearly, to the

1. Acadian School.

2. National School.

3. Catholic School.

The 23d Section of the act of 1841, adds a yearly grant of £60 to the

4. African School.

DUTIES OF CENTRAL BOARD, (ACT OF 1841.)

Section 4. And be it enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, to nominate, appoint, and commission, a Central Board of Education in the Town of Halifax, to consist of five fit and proper persons, whose duty it shall be—to establish forms of returns of schools, affidavits and certificates, required by the said acts hereby continued and amended, or by this act,—to make, ordain, and establish, Rules and Regulations for the guidance and government of the several Boards of Commissioners in every county of this Province, and to prepare and transmit to the said Boards of Commissioners, Instructions for the guidance and conduct of Teachers of Schools, so that greater uniformity in the system to be pursued by the respective Boards of Commissioners, may be promoted, and the several enactments and provisions of the act hereby amended, and this act, may be rendered more effective.

Section 5. And be it enacted, that the Central Board when so appointed, may nominate and select some fit and proper person as Clerk thereof, and that, for the salary of such Clerk, and the incidental expenses of the said Board, there shall annually be allowed and paid out of the treasury of the Province, to be drawn by the warrant of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or Commander-in-Chief for the time being, during the continuance of this act, the yearly sum of one hundred and fifty pounds currency, and no more.

REPORTS OF COMMISSIONERS.

Section 14, 1832. }

Section 7, 1841. } Every Board of Commissioners shall make and return to the Central Board, in such form as the said Central Board shall from time to time direct, on or before the thirty-first day of December, in every year respectively, during the continuance of this act; a true and correct account and report of their proceedings, and of the monies by them received and distributed as aforesaid, to be certified and signed by the Clerk of said Board; and it shall also be certified by the said Commissioners, or a quorum of them, that the same is to the best of their knowledge and belief, correct in every particular, and that they have distributed the Provincial money impartially, without favor or affection to any person; and the several returns, accounts, and reports, with

proper abstracts thereof, shall be in every year, by the Central Board, transmitted to the Secretary of the Province, for the information of the Governor, and of the Legislature.

COMBINED GRAMMAR AND COMMON SCHOOLS.

Section 21. Whenever the inhabitants of any school district in which a common school shall be established under these acts, shall apply in writing to the Board of Commissioners for the county or district, engaging that in addition to the branches of learning required to be taught in such common school, to cause to be instructed there, from eight to fifteen scholars in the Classics, the practical branches of the Mathematics, Geography, Algebra, English Grammar, or such of them as may be required;—or in such application engaging for the instruction in the school of fifteen scholars and upwards, in the higher branches of education before mentioned,—in either case the board of commissioners shall appoint two or more Trustees for the school and enter it as a *combined Grammar and Common school*.

There are not to be more than three combined Grammar and Common Schools in any one county or district; and they are to be established in such towns, villages and most populous settlements, as the Commissioners direct.

Section 15, act 1841. The instruction in the Classics may be dispensed with, in case a teacher qualified in this respect *cannot be obtained*; and in such cases the other branches mentioned above shall be taught; and the Commissioners shall not be bound to give the preference to a teacher on account of his classical knowledge, if his other qualifications are inferior to those of his competitors.

Section 22. There shall be paid from the treasury of the Province to every such combined Grammar and Common School, in which at least from eight to fifteen scholars are instructed in the higher branches, £25 per annum; and to every one in which fifteen or upwards are so instructed, £35 per annum. These sums are in addition to any other provincial allowance these schools may be entitled to receive under the act. The board of commissioners for the county or district, are authorized to regulate and direct the application, payment, and distribution of these sums.

Section 23. The allowance is not to be granted under the preceding clause, to any combined Grammar and common School, unless it be made to appear to the satisfaction of the commissioners of the county or district, in the case of the

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allowance of £25 per annum (to one, where at least eight scholars receive instructions in the higher branches,)—that the salary actually paid to the master or teacher amounts to at least £100 per annum:—and in the case of the allowance of £35 per annum (to a school where fifteen or more such scholars are taught,) that the salary of the master or teacher shall amount to at least £120:—including in the computation of these salaries the sum paid by the inhabitants as well as the several allowances of public money received under these acts.

Section 17, act of 1841. Enacts "That no money shall be drawn for any combined Common and Grammar School until a certificate in writing shall be made and signed by the Trustees of such school, or one of them, to the effect,—that the classics and higher branches of learning, as the law requires, to the best of the knowledge and belief of such trustee or trustees, have been and are actually taught in such school; or otherwise, that a teacher cannot be obtained, duly qualified, competent to teach the Classics, but that the other higher branches of learning required by law, (to the best of the knowledge and belief of such trustee or trustees) have been, and are taught in such school, which certificate shall be transmitted with the account and report of the commissioners of Schools, to the central board at Halifax, by this act established."

Section 24. Provides that the combined Grammar and Common Schools, shall be subject to all the enactments and rules appointed for common schools in these acts.

Section 27, Enacts that the sum granted for schools under the act, and divided among the counties, [that is £6000 per annum by the act of 1841,] shall be wholly applied to the benefit of common schools, and the extra allowances for combined Grammar and Common schools, are to be drawn in addition by warrant on the treasury, under the Governor's hand and seal, and paid to the Boards of Commissioners to be applied agreeably to the law.

Section 16, act 1841, Authorizes the commissioners in case such extra allowance or any part of it should not be required for the use of combined Grammar and common schools, to apply it to the use of the common schools in their county.

ASSESSMENT.

Section 19, act of 1841. This section authorizes the trustees of any school district, to call a public meeting of the rateable inhabitants within its limits. Public notice of the meeting is to be given by the Trustees for at least 20 days

previous, in five or more public places in the same district. If a majority of the rateable inhabitants present at the meeting, agree to raise money for the support of the district school or schools by assessment, they are to certify their proceedings to the next General Sessions of the Peace for the county. The sums voted by this meeting shall then be assessed "upon each of the inhabitants of such school district, in a rateable and equal proportion, according to his ability." The assessment and collection shall follow the same course the provincial law prescribes in case of poor rates; and the monies collected shall be paid over to the Trustees of the school district.

Sections 20 and 21, act 1841, direct that the sum to be voted and assessed under the preceding clause, shall in no case exceed £15 in aid of a Common School, such as specified in the 12th section of the act, 1832; of from fifteen to thirty scholars;—£20, in aid of a common school of thirty scholars and upwards;—or £25 in aid of a combined Grammar and Common School, described in section 22, act 1832, containing from eight to fifteen scholars, who are taught the higher branches.

This limitation on the power of assessment is however, not to affect the arrangements of the 12th and 23rd clauses of the act of 1832, by which, the teachers of such schools are entitled to receive at least £25, £40, and £100; in manner already pointed out: but the Trustees are to cause the deficiencies to be made up,—by fixing rates of tuition money to be paid by all scholars (except those poor scholars provided for in the act,) in the schools, supported partly by assessment.

ITINERATING SCHOOLS.

Section 18, act 1841, authorizes the commissioners in any county to establish an itinerating school, under such regulations as they may adopt, and to allow for its aid a portion of the sum allotted to the county in this act.

FEMALE TEACHERS.

Section 10, act 1841, authorizes the commissioners to extend aid under these acts, to any school taught by a female teacher, where she can be more advantageously employed than a male teacher, and it restricts them to license but one male teacher in each school district, permitting them if they see fit, to license two female teachers in the same district, and if necessary, in addition to any male teacher licensed therein. The object of this clause is that every Common School, kept by a male teacher, should have its separate district.

LANGUAGES.

Any school in which the ordinary instructions may be in the French, the Gaelic, or the German language, is to be entitled to participation in the public money, equally with those where the English only is used. Sec. 12, act 1841.

EXEMPTIONS OF LICENSED TEACHERS.

Section 25, exempts every licensed teacher employed in any school in operation under the law, from

1. The payment of Poor and County Rates.
2. The performance of Statute Labor.
3. From Militia Duty.

ACADEMIES.

Section 24, act of 1841. And be it enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, or Commander in Chief for the time being, to appoint and commission in every county of this Province, (except the counties of Halifax, Pictou, Hants, King's, Annapolis, Lunenburg, Yarmouth, and Cape Breton, where Academies are at present established,) three or more fit and proper persons to be trustees of an Academy therein—which said trustees, any, or either of them, shall be removeable at the pleasure of the Governor, Lieutenant-Governor or Commander in Chief for the time being, who shall also have power to fill up any vacancy occasioned by such removal, or by the death of any trustee or trustees.

Section 25. And be it enacted, that instruction shall be given at such Academies, as are now or hereafter to be founded, in the Classics, in the practical branches of *Mathematics, Algebra, Geography, English Grammar, History, and Composition*; and no person shall be appointed as the head master to any such Academy, who is not competent to teach all the said branches, and also, one or more of the modern languages, whenever it shall be found practicable to introduce the same.

Section 26. And be it enacted, that the trustees of such Academies shall have power, from time to time, to make rules and bye laws for the regulation thereof, which shall be transmitted within one month from the time of their being made to the said Central Board of Education, hereinbefore appointed, for their approbation, and shall not have effect until such approbation is signified.

Section 27. And be it enacted, that no part of the mo-

ney granted for the support of combined Grammar and common Schools shall be applied to the use of such Academies, on any pretence whatsoever, except as hereinafter allowed.

Section 28. And be it enacted, that the trustees of such Academies shall make up and return, on or before the thirty-first day of December, in every year, to the aforesaid Central Board, a full and accurate account of all sums of money received and expended by them, whether from Legislative grants or otherwise, with a *Report* of the course of instruction, and other particulars concerning the same, in such form as the said Board may, from time to time direct.

Section 29. And be it enacted, that the Trustees of such Academies shall hold public Examinations twice in every year, of the pupils or scholars therein—of which said examination public notice shall be given, so that the same may be attended by all persons desirous of being present thereat.

Section 30. And be it enacted, that there shall be granted and paid, in every year, for the support of the Academies in the several counties, the sums following, that is to say:—for the Academy at Yarmouth, *One Hundred and Thirty-five Pounds*;—for the Academy at Lunenburg, *One Hundred Pounds* besides a further sum of *thirty-five pounds* out of the sum allotted to the said county, for combined Grammar and common Schools;—for the Academy at Annapolis, *seventy-five pounds*;—and for the Albion Academy at Annapolis, *twenty-five pounds* besides a further sum of *thirty-five pounds* out of the sum allowed to the said county for Combined Grammar and Common schools;—for the Academies in Colchester, Cumberland, Sydney, Guysborough, Cape Breton, Inverness, Richmond, Digby, Shelburne, and Queen's County, *one hundred pounds* each.

Section 26, act of 1832, declares that the powers of the Commissioners is not to extend to Academies then (or afterwards to be) established. The Boards of Commissioners are not to exercise any control or supervision over these Academies. Such Academies were nevertheless to be entitled to participate in the money granted for the support of combined Grammar and Common Schools, whenever the Legislature does not provide for them by distinct grants. (This having been done by the amending act of 1841. Except therefore the Lunenburg Academy and the Albion Academy, they will at present have no claim on that fund.)

DURATION OF THE LAW.

The 1st clause of the amending act of 1841, continues the original act of 1832, (except the 5th clause and except as it

is altered by the amendments,) for four years, and thence to the end of the next session of the General Assembly. The amending act is by its 31st and last clause, enacted for the same period the 31st section, act 1841, c.—being as follows :

And be it enacted, that this Act shall continue in force for four years, and from thence to the end of the then next Session of the General Assembly.

APPENDIX.



CENTRAL BOARD OF EDUCATION.

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" Michael Tobin, junior,
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